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Vote Mar 10th 1903

W R Burnell	Clerk	261
Alf C Mason	"	120
E B Carlton	Selectman	210
J H Stott	"	228
John Hunter	"	168
W W Booker	"	254
Saml K Merrill	"	201
H H Parsons	"	218
E L Lord	Road Agt.	246
Wm Coolidge	"	210
E H Meader	"	202
John H Smith	"	184
Granville H Perkins	"	187
J H Woodward	"	217
L L Gibson	Treas.	257
C E Gibson	"	154
L M Kallock	Coll	269
H C Longey	"	168
H B Cotton	Aud	400
H H Dow	"	400

500.
1000.
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400.
200.
200.
4875.

The State of New Hampshire.

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Conway Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the town house in said town on the second Tuesday of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following subjects:

ARTICLE I

To choose a Town Clerk, three Selectmen, one or more Road Agents, not to exceed three, a Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Library Trustees, two Auditors, and all other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE II

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate in addition to the sum required by law for the benefit of the Free Public Library. $500.

ARTICLE III

To see if the town will vote to raise a sum sufficient to pay for breaking roads and snowing bridges due May 1, 1903. $1000.00

ARTICLE IV

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repairing of highways and bridges in addition to the one-fourth of one per cent. upon the valuation of the town, as required by law. $500,

ARTICLE V

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to defray town expenses for the ensuing year. $1000.

ARTICLE VI

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and to pay to Custer post G. A. R. of said town, to assist in defraying the expenses of decorating the graves of deceased Soldiers, and other necessary expenses of Memorial day, May 30th, 1903. $75-

ARTICLE VII

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to build a new town house or to put the present structure in good repair. 1000.

ARTICLE VIII

To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to hire upon the credit of the town a sum of money not to exceed five thousand dollars, if needed. "yes"

ARTICLE IX

To take the sense of the qualified voters whether the alterations and amendments of the constitution, proposed by the Constitutional Convention, shall be approved.

ARTICLE X

To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to furnish a watering place at some convenient point, for the accommodation of the public, in the village of Conway Center.

ARTICLE XI

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars to repair the Creek bridge, so called, in Ea t Conway. 400.

ARTICLE XII

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars to repair the middle pier of the Joel E. Morrell bridge, so called.

ARTICLE XIII

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to purchase drain pipe and lay the same, to drain the street from a point near the house of Chas. S Fifield,

200.

into the brook that crosses the road near Geo. W. Lord's house, a distance of about thirty-five rods, and instruct their Road Agents to procure and lay said pipe as early in the season as the condition of the land will permit.

ARTICLE XIV

To see if the town will vote to raise by assessment a sum of money sufficient to pay for breaking roads and snowing bridges if the system of paying for the same by the day is continued.

ARTICLE XV

To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money sufficient to purchase drain pipe and lay the same on the main street in Conway Village from the corner near Mrs. Fannie Abbott's house, past the store and residence of Mr. Levi C. Quint to the mill pond, and construct the necessary cesspools to receive the surface water, and instruct its Road Agents to attend to the laying of said, as early in the season as the condition of the ground will permit.

$ 200.-

ARTICLE XVI

To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting

Given under our hand and seal this 21st day of February, 1903.

I. H. DAVIS,
JOHN F. STOTT,
C. F. WATERHOUSE.
Selectmen Town of Conway.

A true copy of Warrant, attest:

I. H. DAVIS,
JOHN F. STOTT,
C. F. WATERHOUSE.
Selectmen of Conway.

Treasurer's Report.

To Henry B. Cotton and Hiram H. Dow, Auditors of the town of Conway, I herewith respectfully submit an account of all money received and disbursed by me as Town Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15th, 1903.

JAMES L. GIBSON, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.

Cash from the Treasurer of 1901,		$5,150 35
From notes given to meet those due March 29, 1902, viz.:		
H. B. Cotton,	$3,000 00	
"	3,000 00	
"	1,500 00	
R. F. Chase,	3,000 00	
"	2,000 00	
Susan F. Morton,	1,000 00	
Mary J. Chesley,	1,000 00	
	———	14,500 00
On note of North Conway Loan & Banking Co., temporary loan,		1,000 00
Conway Savings Bank, temporary loan,		1,000 00
" "		1,000 00
From Selectmen, fines State vs. Webster and Clifford		20 00
Selectmen, State vs. Dixey Smith,		8 88
From Town Clerk, dog license, less fees,		251 80
From County Treasurer,		171 63
State Treasurer:		
Insurance tax,	$ 7 50	
Railroad tax,	1,214 38	
Savings bank tax,	1,246 57	
Literary fund,	288 00	

Proportion of extra school money,	965 13	
Bounties,	15 00	
		3,736 58
J. H. Woodward, use of road machine,		7 50
I. M. Kallock, Collector:		
June,	$ 300 00	
July,	1,000 00	
August,	800 00	
September,	500 00	
October,	1,500 00	
November,	3,000 00	
December,	3,000 00	
January,	3,000 00	
February,	4,161 13	
		17,261 13
Interest received on bank account during the year,		39 36
Total receipts,		$44,147 23

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders:	
Arrearage bills,	$ 144 96
Highways and bridges,	2,344 47
Special appropriation, Elm Brook bridge,	400 30
Special appropriation, bridge at Conway Village,	250 00
School District Treasurer,	6,165 69
Town poor,	594 92
County poor,	148 65
Town officers,	1,041 98
Breaking roads and snowing bridges,	911 66
State tax,	1,538 50
County tax,	2,711 61
Conway Public Library,	610 00
Special appropriation for drainage at North Conway,	850 00
Special appropriation for drainage at Conway Village,	148 17
Dog damage and dog officer,	59 75

Town bonds,	2,500 00
Interest on same,	690 00
Notes due March 28, 1902,	14,500 00
Interest on same,	432 01
Town notes, temporary loans,	3,000 00
Interest on same,	66 22
Conway Village precinct tax,	107 71
School books,	273 54
Bounties,	15 00
Miscellaneous bills,	898 58
	$40,403 72
Leaving a balance in the treasury of	$3,743 51

Town bonds Nos. 22, 23 and 24 for $500 each, due July 1st, 1901, are still outs anding and I have been unable to locate them. From the cash on hand it will take to pay these

bonds,	$1,500 00
To pay interest on town notes due March 29th,	580 00
Due special appropriation for bridge at Conway,	550 00
Due special appropriation for drainage at Conway,	151 83
Due school district, dog tax and interest on Mary Banfill fund,	201 45
Mary Banfill fund,	235 00
Leaving a balance unappropriated of	525 23
	$3.743 51
Interest paid on temporary loans last year was	$148 81
This year,	66 22

JAMES L. GIBSON, Treasurer.

Conway, N. H., Feb. 21, 1903.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of J. L. Gibson, Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15th, 1903, and find them correct, with proper vouchers on file for each and every item paid out, and cash on hand for the balance stated.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors for the Town of Conway.

Selectmen's Report.

The following is the amount of money appropriated by the town for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1903:

Town expenses,	$ 1,000 00
Repairs on highways and bridges, 1-4 of 1 per cent., required by law,	2,398 45
Decorating soldiers' graves,	50 00
State tax,	1,538 50
County tax,	2,711 61
Conway Public Library required by law,	110 00
Conway Public Library, in addition to amount required by law,	500 00
Breaking roads and snowing bridges,	1,000 00
Interest money,	600 00
For schools, required by law,	2,172 00
For schools, in addition to amount required by law,	2,200 00
Repairs on school-houses,	300 00
Insurance,	50 00
Draining part of Main and Kennett streets, Conway Village,	300 00
New bridge at Conway,	800 00
Draining Main street, North Conway,	850 00
New bridge at Elm Brook, District No. 7,	400 00
	$16,980 56
To overlay,	308 20
	$17,288 76

INVENTORY.

757 Polls,	$ 75,700 00
Improved and unimproved lands and buildings,	671,907 00
628 Horses,	32,610 00
42 Oxen,	2,224 00
618 Cows,	13,244 00

231 Neat Stock,	3,905 00
40 Sheep,	80 00
9 Hogs,	110 00
57 Carriages,	4,100 00
Stock in corporations out of State,	33,000 00
Money on hand, at interest or on deposit,	6,650 00
Stock in Trade,	58,950 00
Aqueducts,	26,000 00
Mills and Machinery,	30 900 00
Total valuation for 1902,	$959,380 00
Total valuation for 1901,	930,470 00
Increase,	$ 28,910 00
Resident and non-resident tax list,	$17,288 76

To H. B. Cotton and H. H. Dow, Auditors for the town of Conway for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903:—Agreeably with Chapter 43 Article 11 of the Public Statutes of New Hampshire, we submit the following report of our financial transactions for the past year, together with our vouchers.

ISAAC H. DAVIS,
JOHN F. STOTT,
C. F. WATERHOUSE,
Selectmen of Conway.

ARREARAGE BILLS.

C. E. Blanchard, printing 1000 town reports,	$64 00
Ellen M. Mason, bal. salary member School Board, '01	16 66
H. S. Mason, services and money paid out in Carpenter case,	9 10
A. C. Ferguson, M. D., returning births and deaths, 1901,	1 50
W. W. Mudgett, labor on highway 1901, trusteed by Johnson,	53 70
	$144 96

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

E. C. Eastman, books for town office,	$ 4 94
Wm. Sargent, Police,	2 00
W. R. Burnell, freight and express on repairs for road machine,	1 55
Augustus Ward, labor on road machine,	7 25
Bella J. Batchelder, cleaning town office,	1 50
John L. Eastman, damage to wagon,	1 50
H. B. Cotton & Co., wood for town office,	3 50
Frank E. Brown, repairing new road machine,	3 00
C. F. Waterhouse, express on casting for road machine,	1 30
G. W. Tibbetts, repairs on road machines,	73 40
W. H. Jacobs, printing bill heads,	6 50
Acme Road Machine Co., repairs for road machine,	6 00
W. R. Burnell, express on casting for road machine,	65
H. S. Mudgett, over assessment on Goodrich Falls Electric Light Co.,	25 80
F. E. Buswell, cleaning North Conway lockup,	2 00
I. M. Kallock, Custer Post appropriation,	50 00
Thomas Pengelly, land damage, new street, Redstone,	15 00
Mrs. John Lamb, " "	15 00
I. H. Davis, money paid out State vs. Clifford,	12 00
William Cantwell, Police officer,	6 00
E C. Seavey, "	4 00
I. L. Smith, "	4 00
E. L. Willey, "	4 00
I. M. Kallock, "	4 00
A. M. Rumery, for New Hampshire Reports,	200 00
North Conway Water Co., watering trough,	10 00
C. W. Coolidge, building new road at Redstone,	80 00
H. B. Cotton, Clark and Nash, land damage, Redstone	20 00
W. D H. Hill, cost on Warren Smith case,	6 97
A. C. Kennett, lumber for town office,	1 22
C. P. Buzzell, attendance State Board of Health,	24 00
A. M. D. Blouin, freight and express bills,	3 83
A. T. Cole, shelves for books in vault,	2 00

A. M. Littlefield, watering trough Dist 9,		2 50
Mrs M. A. Wilson, " 1,		2 50
David Wakefield, " 16,		2 50
Moses Thurston, " 10,		2 50
H. B. Cotton, " 4,		10 00
A. H. Willey, " 16,		2 50
E. H. Heath, " 12,		2 50
W. W. Mudgett, " 4,		2 50
J. F. Stott, " 16,		2 50
Fryeburg Water Co., " 1,		2 50
E. C. Seavey, police service election day,		4 00
L. E Chamberlain, police service and putting up bicycle notices,		3 00
E. C. Blouin, enumerating children,		15 00
C. E. Blanchard, printing check-lists and bicycle notices,		17 50
W. D. Tasker, land damage washout Dist. 8,		20 00
S. N. Greenlaw, reporting births and deaths 1901, 1902,		4 75
W. E. Lord, soldier, abatement poll tax 1901, 1902,		3 57
G. H. & J. Z. Shedd, reporting births and deaths,		12 00
" services as Board of Health,		34 25
F. H. Jordan, M. D., reporting births and deaths,		2 50
C. P. Buzzell, " "		2 75
" services as Board of Health,		22 65
E. C. Blouin, Truant Officer, Redstone,		3 00
B. Frank Horne, reporting births and deaths,		4 00
C. W. Nute, Police officer,		2 00
W. R. Burnell, reporting births and deaths,		30 25
" reporting 37 children's names,		9 25
" Secretary Board of Health,		10 00
O. B. Merrill, rebate on tax on land,		12 95
A. W. Chandler, Police 4th of July,		2 00
Wm. Cantwell, Police election day,		2 00
James L. Gibson, postage and stationery for 2 years,		2 40
J. B. Nash, legal services and N. H. Reports, and other legal advice,		27 00
W. E. Garland & Co., lanterns for highway and lock,		2 35

C. E. Blanchard, printing official ballots and cards of instruction,	7 00
Mrs. R. D. Pitman, housing road machine,	2 00
	$898 58

SCHOOL BOOKS.

Ginn & Co., school books,	$28 67
" "	11 20
American Book Co., school books,	80 40
" "	87 69
" "	15 68
J. L. Hammett & Co., "	36 55
" school supplies,	5 70
Houghton Mifflin & Co., school books,	7 65
	$273 54

COUNTY POOR.

H. W. Snow, board of Seth Kennerson,	$ 2 50
Wm. Cantwell, care of tramps,	4 00
I. H. Davis, taking Chester Mead to Ossipee,	9 96
H. W. Snow, board of Seth Kennerson,	4 29
" " "	4 43
Wm. Cantwell, care of tramps,	1 20
H. W. Snow, board of Seth Kennerson,	4 50
" " "	6 50
I. M. Kallock. expenses taking Seth Kennerson to Soldiers' Home,	11 82
L. E. Chamberlain, care of tramps,	1 00
W. E. Manthorn, board of L. A. Richardson,	4 00
S. F. Snow, services as nurse for Wm. Grady,	28 00
I. M. Kallock, conveying Richardson and Wild to County Farm,	12 25
C. P. Buzzell, medical attendance to Wm. Grady,	15 70
L. S. Merrill, funeral expenses for Wm. Grady,	38 50
	$148 65

STATE BOUNTIES.

Henry Smith, bounty on one bear,	$ 5 00
Charles Ham, "	5 00
W. H. French, "	5 00
	$15 00

TOWN POOR.

N. H. Insane Asylum, board of C. Dolloff,	$51 47
" " "	55 84
Shaw's Pharmacy, truss for F. C. Merrill,	3 50
N. H. Insane Asylum, board of C. Dolloff,	52 61
Sawyer & Churchill, supplies to Mrs. Watson,	6 04
Mrs. Rose Remick, "	3 74
Mrs M. C. Durgin, taking care of Mrs. Watson,	24 75
C. P. Buzzell, medical attendance to "	3 00
Shaw's Pharmacy, supplies to "	5 50
B. F. Horne, medical attendance to "	14 00
S. N. Greenlaw, medical attendance and care of Bean family,	65 40
W E. Garland & Co , assistance and groceries to T. E. Grady family,	19 62
L. C. Quint, auctioneer Mrs. Watson's estate,	3 00
N. H. Insane Asylum, board of C. Dolloff,	52 61
F. W. Davis, supplies to T. E. Grady's family,	5 95
C. E. Blanchard, printing auction notices for Mrs. Watson's estate,	2 75
W. E. Garland & Co., supplies to Grady family,	5 29
" " "	12 38
Carlton & Thoms, supplies to F. C. Merrill and family,	104 00
G. H. & J. Z. Shedd, medical attendance to S. Kennerson and J. Lamb,	24 35
G. B. Wyman, supplies and groceries to John Lamb,	16 54
Geo. H. Graves, wood for J. Lamb,	4 13
L. S. Merrill, funeral expenses of Mrs. Watson,	44 00
Mrs. James Ela, board of Demick boy,	10 00
C. T. Ladd, clothes for "	4 45
	$594 92

TOWN OFFICERS.

H. H. Dow, Auditor,	$ 5 00
C. E. Allard, Ballot Clerk in March,	4 00
John H. Garland, "	4 00
" Supervisor check list,	20 00
Geo. V. Eastman, "	20 00
Ellen M. Mason, member School Board, in part,	25 00
A. M. D. Blouin, " "	30 00
" Librarian, in part,	25 00
John. F. Stott, Selectman, in part,	50 00
I. H. Davis, "	50 00
C. F. Waterhouse, "	50 00
Geo. V. Eastman, Supervisor check list in Nov.,	20 00
Ellen M. Mason, member School Board, in full,	41 66
C. P. Buzzell, " "	66 66
A. M. D. Blouin, " in part,	25 00
C. W. Coolidge, Supervisor check list,	20 00
H H. Randall, Ballot Clerk in March and Nov.,	8 00
J. H. Garland, Supervisor check list Nov.,	20 00
" Ballot Clerk Nov.,	4 00
H. B. Cotton, Auditor,	5 00
C. F. Waterhouse, Selectman, in full,	66 66
I. H. Davis, " "	66 67
J. F. Stott, " "	66 66
I. M. Kallock, Ballot Clerk March and Nov.,	8 00
A. M. D. Blouin, member School Board, in full,	11 67
Peter J. Masterton, Ballot Clerk Nov.,	4 00
W. R. Burnell, Town Clerk,	40 00
J. L Gibson, Treasurer and District Clerk,	85 00
I. M. Kallock, Tax Collector,	200 00
	$1,041 98

ACCOUNT WITH CARROLL COUNTY.

DR.

To balance due town 1901,	$ 22 98
County tax,	2,711 61

County poor bills,	148 65
	$2,883 24

CR.

By cash,	$ 49 20	
County tax,	2,711 61	
Cash,	122 43	
		$2,883 24

ACCOUNT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

DR.

To Order No. 231,	$6,165 69

CR.

By dog license of 1901,	$ 181 16	
Interest on Mary Banfill fund,	9 40	
Amount required by law,	2,172 00	
In addition,	2,200 00	
Repairs,	300 00	
Insurance,	50 00	
Literary funds,	288 00	
Proportion of school fund from State,	965 13	
		$6,165 69

ACCOUNT WITH THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

DR.

To insurance tax,	$ 7 50
Railroad tax,	1,214 38
Savings bank tax,	1,246 57
Literary fund,	288 00
Proportion of school fund,	965 13
Bounties,	15 00
	$3,736 58

CR.

By State tax,	$1,538 50	
Cash,	2,183 08	
Bounties,	15 00	
		$3,736 58

DAMAGE BY DOGS

DR.

To license on dogs,		$277 80

CR.

W. R. Burnell, for licensing,	$ 26 00	
A. W. Chandler, collecting,	27 00	
Charles Irish, damage to hens,	7 00	
J. E. Kelley, "	8 00	
Chas. D. Carson, damage to sheep,	8 00	
John W. Thoms, damage to hens,	9 75	
Due school district,	192 05	
		$277 80

CONWAY PUBLIC LIBRARY.

DR.

To Order No. 200,		$610 00

CR.

By appropriation required by law,	$110 00	
In addition,	500 00	
		$610 00

ACCOUNT WITH ROAD AGENTS.

Appropriation,		$2,398 45
PAYMENTS.		
Expended by John H. Smith in Div. 1,	$761 09	
" C. W. Coolidge in Div. 2,	853 37	
" A. R. Shirley in Div. 3,	730 01	
		$2,344 47
Leaving a balance not expended of		$ 53 98

CONWAY VILLAGE PRECINCT TAX.

DR.

To Order No. 139,	$100 00
" 233,	7 71
Abatements,	3 01
	$110 72

ABATEMENTS.

LEFT TOWN.

Guy Nickerson,	$ 1 80	
Thaddeus Parks,	1 66	
Daniel Stanley,	1 80	
Fred Sawyer,	1 80	
Wm. Abial,	1 85	
Wesley Colby,	1 85	
Nicholas White,	1 85	
Wm. Whitten,	1 80	
Lester Jones,	1 80	
		$16 21

LEFT TOWN BEFORE I RECEIVED THE BOOK.

H. W. Heath,	$1 80	
Joseph Annell,	1 80	
Wm. Dublin,	1 80	
John Plummer,	1 80	
Antonio Lauri,	1 80	
Joseph Pinille,	1 80	
Antonio Porcius,	1 80	
Wm. Rider,	1 85	
Charles Weston,	1 85	
Antonio Roncho,	1 80	
		18 10

NOT HERE APRIL FIRST.

Fred Pert,	$1 80	
Frank Hill,	1 80	
Charles Hammon,	2 13	
Wm. E. Broughton,	1 80	
E. W. Jones,	1 85	
O O'Keef,	1 80	
James Thurston,	1 80	
John Tuff,	1 80	
Wm. Felker,	1 85	
		16 63

TAX RECEIPTS.

W. F. Cowdis,	$1 80	

Geo. Gochen,	1 80	
Henry Gochen,	1 80	
Nordi Georamo,	1 80	
W. A. Richardson,	1 85	
Fred Ashnault,	1 80	
J. O. Bowden,	1 80	
Arthur Norton,	1 80	
Wm. Peters,	1 80	
S. A. Allen,	1 85	
		18 10

NOT TWENTY-ONE YEARS OLD.

George Kenney,	$1 80	
Fred Merrill,	1 85	
Wallace Chase,	1 85	
		5 50

TAXED TWICE.

B. Chapman,	$1 80	
Moses Davis,	1 80	
E J Horne,	2 52	
Melbert Bosworth,	1 85	
E. M. Bickford,	1 85	
E. D. Bickford,	1 85	
H. N. Chase,	1 85	
Will Day,	1 85	
W R. Philbrick,	1 85	
Neal Rider,	1 85	
Ed Thompson,	1 80	
B. C. Whelton,	1 80	
W. M. Russell,	1 80	
D. McCarty	1 80	
H. L. Moulton,	1 80	
Samuel Davis,	1 85	
		29 92

OVER SEVENTY.

H. W. Berry,	$1 85	
S. N. Greenlaw,	1 85	
Henry Emerson,	1 90	
		5 50

OVERTAXED.

James E. Kelley,	$5 40	
Preston Philips,	3 60	
H. E. Coolidge,	1 80	
Stephen Smith,	4 50	
Andrew Dinsmore,	6 48	
		21 78

CANNOT BE FOWND.

R. Paterson,	1 80

DIED.

Charles Bottiggi,	1 80
	$135 34

RECEIPTS.

Balance in treasury,	$ 5,150 35
Assessments,	17,261 13
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State tax,	1,538 50
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Conway Public Library,	610 00
Special appropriation:	
Conway drainage,	148 17
North Conway drainage,	850 00
New bridge, Conway,	250 00
Elm Brook bridge, North Conway,	400 30
Conway Village precinct tax,	107 71
Town bonds,	2,500 00
Interest on same,	690 00
Town notes,	17,500 00
Interest on same.	498 23
Balance in treasury,	3,743 51
	$44,147 23

LIABILITIES.

Due on town notes,		$14,500 00
Mary Banfill fund,		235 00
Total interest bearing debt,		$14,735 00

DEMAND LIABILITIES.

Due school district, dog tax,	$ 192 05	
Interest Mary Banfill fund,	9 40	
Special appropriation, new bridge, Conway,	550 00	
" drain at Conway,	151 83	
Bonds uncalled for,	1,500 00	
		2,403 28
Total liabilities,		$17,138 28

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury,	$3,743 51

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Liabilities above assets Feb. 15, 1902,	$14,472 23
" " 14, 1903,	13,394 77
Decrease in liabilities,	$ 1,077 46

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC H. DAVIS,
JOHN F. STOTT,
C. F. WATERHOUSE,
Selectmen of Conway.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

Conway, N. H., Feb. 21st, 1903.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen of Conway for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers on file for each and every item of their accounts and all entered under their proper heads.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors of Conway.

Road Agents' Report.

REPORT OF JOHN H. SMITH, DIVISION 1.

	MATERIAL	LABOR
John H. Smith,		$ 6 75
Harry L. Smith,		2 25
John M. Gile,		15 75
Harold Gile,		6 75
C. F. Waterhouse,		75
John H. Smith,		17 25
Walter Smith,		2 63
Whitaker Bros.,	$ 2 40	
Thomas Eastman,	2 40	
H. H. Randall,		7 00
L. W. Brock,		3 00
Isaac Harriman,		3 00
Ed Seavey		9 25
Clarence Harriman,		7 50
P. P. Smith,		5 00
C. F. Waterhouse,		1 95
Frank P. Allard,		5 00
Fred Eastman,		8 75
E. F. Swett,		2 00
Richard Seavey,		3 00
James L. Gibson,	11 25	
F. P. Allard,	50	28 25
Will Manthorn,		1 50
Chas. Walker,		6 00
Harry L Smi h,		3 75
Fred Eastman,		7 00
Whitaker Bros.,	3 80	
Richard Seavey,		75
C F. Waterhouse,		75
Fred S. Eastman,		75

D. A. Nute,		1 75
Ed Seavey,		2 25
George Chase,		9 75
John H. Smith,	50	47 00
Judson Dinsmore,		6 00
J. L. Gibson,	17 86	
I. C. Davis,		19 50
A. D Davis,	72	
Fred Eastman,		5 30
Melvin Millett,		1 95
Marshall Lewis,		3 50
Richard Seavey,		2 25
Ed Seavey,		2 00
Fred S. Eastman,		1 50
Robert Gile,		1 95
Harry Gile,		75
Harry Smith,		9 30
George Chase,		9 30
Chas. Walker,		3 75
J. H. Smith,		27 20
A. E. H. Brooks,		5 00
I. H. Davis,		3 75
J. H. Smith,		30 00
Harry Smith,		15 50
George Chase,		11 25
Chas. W. Walker,		6 00
A. E. H. Brooks,		1 05
Harold Gile,		75
Kallock,		1 50
F. P. Allard,		6 50
E. F. Swett,		3 75
Clarence Twombly,		1 50
Wm. Hawkins,		17 25
J. H. Smith,		21 55
North Conway Improvement Association,		70 00
George Chase,		3 00
Harry Smith,		3 00

H. S. Mudgett,		67 70
Herbert F. Eastman,		3 00
J. M. Gile,		7 75
F. P. Allard,		19 25
Geo. F. Lucy,	7 00	
"		14 00
Geo. Chase,		5 25
Henry Davis,		3 00
Will Manthorn,		1 50
Chas. Waterhouse,		1 50
J. H. Smith,		24 50
W. Hawkins,		6 75
P. P. Smith,		1 50
Whitaker Bros.,	11 00	
J. L. Gibson,	2 28	
I Davis,	28 00	
H. H. Dow & Son,		5 00
	$87 71	$673 38
		87 71
		$761 09
Rec'd from Town Treasurer on Selectmen's orders,		$761 09

C. W. Coolidge, Division 2.

	MATERIAL	LABOR
Chas. Carson,		$ 7 00
Chas. Broughton,		7 00
Saul Dinsmore,		13 13
Jonathan Newton,		10 50
Hiram Harriman,		13 50
J. D. Bemis,		9 00
E. B. Carlton,		30 00
C. W. Coolidge,		20 00
Lyman Jenness,		8 75
H. A. Quint,		17 50
C. W. Coolidge,		25 75

Carlton & Thoms,	1 31	
Orrin Robertson,	3 51	
Chas. Carson,		3 50
C. A. Broughton,		3 50
Jonathan Newton,		23 25
J. D. Bemis,		22 50
Hiram Harriman,		26 25
Saul Dinsmore,		23 25
B. E. Coolidge,		14 25
W. W. Mudgett,		70 50
E. B. Carlton,		15 00
C. W. Coolidge,		71 00
Charles Loud,		14 00
H. A. Quint,		25 50
J. D. Bemis,		4 50
Hiram Harriman,		13 87
Willis Banfield,		3 00
James Prout,		3 00
Caleb Bickford,		10 50
Nathan Whitaker,		7 95
Saul Dinsmore,		9 07
C. W. Coolidge,		52 75
"		20 00
Caleb Bickford,		3 00
H. A. Quint,		7 00
Charles Loud,		7 00
J. D. Bemis,		3 00
Irvin Sawyer,		2 00
C. W. Coolidge,		6 00
"		33 25
Cloutman Bros.,		5 80
L. C. Quint,	12 54	
C. W. Coolidge,		28 00
"		7 00
Jonathan Newton,		6 60
John McCumby,		3 60
J. D. Bemis,		4 50

John McCumby,		9 75
Jonathan Newton,		9 75
C. W. Coolidge,		24 50
"		13 00
Jonathan Newton,		11 62
C. Shackford & Son,	1 20	
L. C. Quint,	3 08	
A. L. Hale,		2 47
Andrew Carlton,		10 50
John McCumby,		10 87
C. W. Coolidge,		15 75
"		5 00
Cloutman Bros.,		50
Daniel Frost,		2 00
	$21 64	$831 73
		21 64
		$853 37
Rec'd of Town Treasurer on Selectmen's orders,		$853 37

A. R. Shirley, Division 3.

	MATERIAL	LABOR
A. R. Shirley,		$43 57
Mrs. Holden Nevers,		7 00
Almon Hill,		12 00
Eugene Rose,		3 00
Howard Hill,		7 50
J. H. Woodward,		9 00
W. E. Davidson,	10 00	15 00
A. T. Cole,		9 67
Ernest Davidson,	50	14 00
J. E. Batchelder,		4 80
A. R. Shirley,		70 25
A. F. Rogers,		3 75
H. A. Littlefield,		10 50
J. L. Grover,		1 50
B. B. Woodward,		20 00

E. F. McIntire,	9 53	
Eugene Rose,		15 75
Almon Hill,		3 00
Howard Hill,		12 00
Mrs. H. E. Nevers,		5 25
E. C. Blouin,		2 00
"		3 50
Carl P. Hanscom,		15 00
W. W. Mudgett,		91 00
Peter McQuade,		5 25
J. H. Woodward,		14 75
John F. Stott,		5 75
Joel E. Morrill,		22 69
E. W. Cook,		1 50
A. T. Cole,		5 00
Moses Hamilton,		48 50
J. F. Stott,		18 00
E. W. Cook,		4 50
A. T. Cole,		3 00
J. A. Garland,		2 55
Peter McQuade,		1 50
L. D. Mills,		3 00
W. W. Mudgett,		3 00
James P. Davidson,		27 50
E. C. Blouin,		14 00
M. L. Rounds,		14 40
Geo. Johnson,		4 00
Peter McQuade,		1 50
A. R. Shirley,	1 00	9 50
B. W. Flint,		6 75
H. Philbrook,		3 75
A. J. Bishop,		3 00
H. S. Mason,		8 75
Moses R. Hamilton,		8 00
Chas. Adjutant,		6 00
I. C. Page,		32 75
Eugene Rogers,		2 00

Avery Hall,		2 00
E. I. Flint,		1 50
C. C. Willey,	2 00	5 00
W. E. Davidson,	12 00	
A. R. Shirley,		26 55
	$35 03	$694 98
		35 03
		$730 01
Rec'd of Town Treasurer on Selectmen's orders,		$730 01

SUMMARY.

Expended for labor in Div. 1,	$673 38	
" material " 1,	87 71	
		$761 09
Expended for labor in Div. 2,	831 73	
" material " 2,	21 64	
		853 37
Expended for labor in Div. 3,	694 98	
" material " 3,	35 03	
		730 01
		$2,344 47
Appropriation,		$2,398 45
Leaving an unexpended balance in the treasury of		$53 98

JOHN H. SMITH,
C. W. COOLIDGE,
ARTHUR R. SHIRLEY,
Road Agents.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

Conway, N. H., Feb. 21, 1903.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Road Agents of the town of Conway for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers on file for the full amount paid out by them.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors of Conway.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

On account of the continuous rains last Summer and Fall, it was impossible to build the foundations for the new bridge at Conway; but the material has been hauled, and we (the Selectmen) have advanced on a bond the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for the same, leaving at the present five hundred and fifty dollars, the balance of the special appropriation, in the treasury for future use on the structure.

The special appropriation for draining part of Main and Kennett streets at Conway Village, was not all used, and a balance of one hundred and fifty-one dollars and eighty-three cents remains in the treasury.

In conformity with the instructions contained in a vote of the town, passed at the last annual meeting, relating to the Common Lands in the town, we have made all the investigation as to the town's rights in said lands that we could under the circumstances. We have been informed by legal counsel that there has never been any judicial determination of the question of the towns' rights, if any, in the lands in question. There are several cases now pending in Superior Court for this County, which we are informed are going on appeal to the Superior Court, to be determined there. In the determination of these suits the question of the town's title to these lands will be involved and incidentally determined. We therefore would recommend that no further action be taken in relation to this matter, at least for the present.

Respectfully submitted,

I. H. DAVIS,
JOHN F. STOTT,
C. F. WATERHOUSE,
Selectmen of Conway.

School District Warrant.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Conway Qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the town house in said district on the 14th day of March, 1903, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE I

To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE II

To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE III

To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV

To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

ARTICLE V

To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing two years.

ARTICLE VI

To see what sum of money, in addition to that required by law, the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE VII

To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for repairs on school buildings for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE VIII

To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for insurance and water for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IX

To see if the district will vote to purchase the furniture in the North Conway school building, owned by the "Educational League," and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same.

ARTICLE X

To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to unite with one or more town districts or special districts to form a supervisory district for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of public schools therein, under the provisions of Chapter 77 of the Session Laws of New Hampshire, 1899.

ARTICLE XI

To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to have a new check-list printed, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same, or vote to discontinue the use of the check-list at future school meetings.

ARTICLE XII

To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE XIII

To choose agents, auditors, committees, in relation to any subjects embraced in this warrant.

ARTICLE XIV

To act upon any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Conway, this 25th day of February, 1903.

C. P. BUZZELL,
ABBIE M. D. BLOUIN,
ELLEN M. MASON.
School Board.

A true copy, attest:

C. P. BUZZELL,
ABBIE M. D. BLOUIN,
ELLEN M. MASON.
School Board.

School District Report.

To Henry B. Cotton and Hiram H Dow, Auditors of the School District of the town of Conway, for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, we respectfully submit the following refort of our financial transactions for the past year, with our vouchers for the same.

C. P. BUZZELL,
ABBIE M. D. BLOUIN,
ELLEN M. MASON.
School Board.

SCHOOL BOARD.

C. P. Buzzell, Chairman, appointment expires 1903.

Abbie M. D. Blouin, Financial Secretary, term expires 1903.

Ellen M. Mason, Clerk, term expires 1904.

CORPS OF TEACHERS.

East, No. 1—Harriet F. Woodward, Conway, year.

Potter, No. 3, Nellie L. Bragdon, Limington, Me , spring term; Jessie M. Orrell, Lebanon, Me , fall term.

Center Primary—Margaret Holland, Limerick, Me., year.

Center Grammar—Mrs. Addie L A. McDonald, Conway; spring term, Annie B. Lapham, Oakland, Me., fall and winter terms.

West, No 6—Lillian M Osgood, Conway, spring term; Edith M. Bickford, Conway, fall and winter terms.

Echo Lake—Grace Whitman, Conway, year.

North Conway Grammar—Gleason C. Young, Columbia Falls, Me , year.

North Conway Intermediate—Sadie A. Charles, Conway, year.

North Conway Primary—Katharine S. Osgood, Conway, year.

Green Hill No. 12—Jessie M Orrell, Lebanon, Me., spring term; Nellie M. Bragdon, Limington, Me., fall and winter terms.

Conway Grammar—H. C. Churchill, Conway, year.

Conway Intermediate—Effie E. Allard, Conway, year.

Conway Primary—L. Edith Blaisdell, Conway, spring term; Lillian M. Bickford, Conway, fall and winter terms.

McMillan—Helen M. Eastman, Conway, year.

Kearsarge—Clara D. White, Conway, year.

South, No. 16—Mary C. Yeaton, Conway, year.

Redstone Grammar—Jennie O. Bowers, Nashua, spring term; Alice L. Perry, Sweeden, Me., fall and winter terms.

Redstone Primary—Alice L. Perry, Sweeden, Me., spring term; Marion Perkins, Conway, fall and winter terms.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Harriet F. Woodward,	$210 00
Nellie L. Bragdon,	180 00
Jessie M. Orrell,	120 00
Margaret Holland,	300 00
Addie L. A. McDonald,	110 00
Annie B. Lapham,	220 00
Lillian M. Osgood,	70 00
Edith M. Bickford,	114 80
Grace Whitman.	150 00
Gleason C. Young,	330 00
Sadie A. Charles,	270 00
Katharine S. Osgood,	270 00
H. C. Churchill,	330 00
Effie E. Allard,	270 00
L. Edith Blaisdell,	90 00
Lillian M. Bickford,	180 00
Helen M. Eastman,	210 00
Clara D. White,	180 00
Mary C. Yeaton,	180 00
Jennie O. Bowers,	90 00
Alice L. Perry,	270 00
Marion Perkins,	180 00
	$4,324 80

TRANSPORTATION AND TUITION.

H. L. Brock, transportation to		Nos. 8 and 15,	$198 00
Mrs. J. W. Sawyer,	"	No. 4	60 00
H. S. Mason,	"	No. 4,	30 00
G. T. Kenerson,	"	Redstone,	100 00
Mrs. H. A. Broughton,	"	No. 13,	20 00
F. H. Sawyer,	"	No. 13,	60 00
Mrs. E. J. Hale,	"	No. 13,	83 00
J. M. Prout,	"	No. 13,	80 00
H. A. Littlefield,	"	Eaton,	21 00
School District of Eaton, tuition,			15 75
Superintendent of schools Fryeburg, tuition,			14 50
School District of Bartlett, school tax for three years,			54 27
J. M. Prout, tuition for one scholar in Eaton, 7 weeks,			1 75
			$738 27

FUEL.

H. S. Mason, wood for No. 4 and Redstone,	$48 75
S. Littlefield, wood for No. 13,	36 56
H. A. Quint, wood for No 6,	23 25
O. E. Littlefield, wood for No. 8,	35 00
L. W. Hill, wood and kindling, No. 12,	23 50
A. T. Cole, wood for No. 16,	7 00
F. Lowd, fitting wood, No. 13,	6 19
W. W. Dimick, storing wood, No. 13,	2 50
B. F. Clark, kindling for Nos. 6 and 13,	2 25
M. L. Mason, wood for Nos. 8, 14 and 15,	50 00
J. E. Cranmore, labor on wood,	6 00
G. G. Lucy, wood,	5 00
A. C. Kennett, kindling for No. 4,	1 50
B. B. Woodward, wood for No. 1,	11 25
D. Seavey, sawing and storing wood, Nos 8 and 14,	1 30
P. Seavey and C. Randall, sawing wood No. 8,	1 30
H. Thoits and R. Garland, storing wood No. 4,	1 00
J. L. Gibson, wood and cartage Redstone,	21 00
H. F. Eastman, sawing and storing wood No. 8,	6 75

J. M. Prout, moving wood from No. 10 to Redstone,	5 00
C. Twombly, sawing and storing wood No. 6,	2 00
F. R. Thompson, wood for No. 4,	4 50
B. Twombly, sawing and storing wood Redstone,	2 60
H. Goodale, sawing wood No. 14,	1 80
	$306 00

INCIDENTALS.

A. L. Thurston, labor at No. 8,	1 55
Mrs. W. Dinsmore, cleaning No. 8,	10 00
A. E. Nash, labor at No. 8,	40
L. Philbrook, cleaning No. 4,	6 00
Mrs. W. Long, cleaning No. 13,	15 00
Mrs. L. Hale, cleaning No. 6,	4 50
Mrs. H. Smith, cleaning Redstone,	6 00
Mrs. J. McGinty, cleaning Redstone,	3 50
Mrs. A. T. Cole, cleaning No. 16,	3 75
Mrs. H. Kelley, cleaning No. 1,	3 75
J. E. Cranmore, cleaning and labor at Nos. 14 and 15,	15 50
G. H. Graves, labor at Redstone.	1 00
Mrs. M. R. Hamilton, cleaning No. 3,	2 50
E. Chamberlain, labor at No. 13,	4 00
B. J. Bachelder, cleaning at No. 4	1 00
L. M. Hanson, cleaning at No. 8,	8 00
A. D. Davis, supplies for North Conway Div.,	8 33
E. C. Blouin, labor and material for Center Div.,	8 30
W. E. Garland Co., supplies for Center Div.,	9 32
C. E. Blanchard, 600 enumeration cards,	2 40
H. F. Woodward, broom for No. 1,	35
Rand, McNally & Co., 6 maps in cases for No. 13,	33 00
M. Tripp, removing snow from roof at No. 14.	1 50
C. E. Gibson, supplies for North Conway Div.,	2 89
J. McLoy, janitor and labor at No. 4,	12 00
C H. Willey, labor at No. 16,	6 00
A. M. D. Blouin, stationery, postage and money paid out,	11 54
C. P. Buzzell, money paid out,	1 00

Mrs. M. C. Hill, cleaning at No. 12,		2 25
G. H. Young, care of furnace at No. 8,		73 50
		$258 83
Total resources for schools,		$5,912 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Teachers' salaries,	$4,324 80	
Transportation and tuition,	738 27	
Fuel,	306 00	
Incidentals,	258 83	
		$5,627 90
Balance of school fund in treasury,		$ 284 20

GENERAL REPAIRS.

A. E. Nash, labor and supplies at No. 8,	$11 43
A. C. Kennett, lumber for fence at No. 4,	1 50
C. A. Adjutant, labor in No. 4,	75
W. W. Dimick, painting in No. 13,	20 00
Fifield Bros., supplies for Nos. 6, 13, Redstone,	24 50
J. A. Andrews, labor and hardware for No. 1,	21 45
" labor and supplies for Nos. 1, 12,	15 25
E. G. Merrill, labor and supplies for No. 14,	6 85
N. W. Pease, supplies for Nos. 14, 15,	5 62
N. M. Willey, stove, pipe and labor for No. 8,	21 25
J. L. Gibson, supplies for Nos. 4, 8,	3 57
Pelican Slate Co., blackboards,	22 92
E. J. Dinsmore, labor,	1 00
F. W. Davis, stove and pipe for No. 4,	16 25
B. & M. R. R., freight on slate and maps,	4 20
O. B. Merrill, lumber for No. 13,	2 14
Whitaker and Bachelder, labor at No. 4,	1 75
E. C. Blouin, labor at No. 4 and Redstone,	2 00
	$182 43
Repair fund,	$300 00

Expended,	182 43	
Cash in treasury to balance,	117 57	
		$300 00

INSURANCE AND WATER.

Unexpended balance of 1901,		$50 00
Amount appropriated March, 1902,		50 00
		$100 00
Paid Hill and Pitman, insurance on No. 8,	$60 00	
North Conway Water Co., water at No. 8,	20 00	
J. H. Garland, insurance on No. 4,	30 00	
		$110 00
Amount overdrawn,		10 00

SUMMARY.

RECEIPTS.

Unexpended balance school fund 1901,	$ 77 41
" insurance and water 1901,	50 00
Amount required by law,	2,172 00
Appropriated March 1902,	2,200 00
Repairs,	300 00
Insurance and water,	50 00
Interest on Mary Banfill fund,	9 40
Dog tax and license 1901,	181 16
Literary fund,	288 00
Special appropriation from State,	965 13
School district of Eaton, tuiton,	19 00
	$6,312 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Orders drawn on school fund,	$5,627 90	
" repair fund,	182 43	
" insurance and water,	110 00	
Cash in treasury to balance,	391 77	
		$6,312 10

Conway, N. H., Feb. 21, 1903.

We herby certify that we have examined the accounts of the School Board of the School District of Conway, for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers on file for all amounts paid out.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors.

School District Treasurer's Report

To Henry B. Cotton and Hiram H. Dow, Auditors of the School District of Conway, I herewith respectfully submit an account of all the money received and paid out by me as District Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from the Treasurer of 1901,		$ 127 41
Rec'd from Town Treasurer,		6,165 69
Rec'd from town of Eaton,		19 00
		$6,312 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid orders on the general school fund;	$5,355 41	
Repair fund,	180 68	
Insurance and water,	110 00	
		$5,646 09
Balance in the treasury,		$ 666 01
There are outstanding orders drawn on the general school fund to the amount of	$172 49	
On repair fund,	1 75	
		274 24
Which will leave a balance of		$391 77

JAMES L. GIBSON, District Treasurer.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

Conway, N. H., Feb. 21, 1903.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of James L. Gibson, District Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers on file for the full amount paid out, and cash on hand for the balance stated.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors of the School District of Conway.

School Committee's Report.

Of course the first and main matter of consideration as to the town's schools, is their efficiency in educating their pupils in the branches set down as coming within the schools' scope.

And in this regard, we speak with confidence: probably many persons who were taught after the old-fashioned methods that prevailed forty years ago, would be amazed to know of the excellent work done by the children in the primary schools. Recently the Clerk of the School Board was shown a set of papers (it is only fair to say that they were from the Conway Center primary school) in which the children were trying the practice of composition, and they were really admirable in all respects, when the age of the age of the pupils was taken into account. The children had first read the story of Bishop Hatto and his mouse-tower in the Rhine, and then re-told it in their own words; there were few errors in spelling, the handwriting was as plain as print, and the style of composition by no means an imitation of the author's. On the contrary, it was markedly individual, not lacking in a unique kind of terseness that reflected the child spirit.

But the old-fashioned theory was that the ability to "figger" should be the corner-stone in any plan of education, and modern theory has not displaced it (only rated some few other things as being of almost equal importance). It is both surprising and delightful to see the ease and quickness with which our primary pupils "do their number work," (i. e., perform the rudimentary operations of arithmetic—add, subtract, multiply and divide,) and the reasoning that shows their good training in the elements of mental arithmetic.

Five pupils were graduated from the grammar school course last June: Mamie Roberts and Linnie Sargent at East Conway,

Agnes Seavey at Center Conway, John Seery at Conway, Freeman Davis at North Conway.

Our grammar school course completed, gives the pupils the additional equivalent of a year's study at an academy or high school: Esther Hill, Arvesta Tibbetts, Lloyd Riley, Freeman Davis, all were allowed to enter upon the second year's work of the high schools they are attending. These had finished our grammar school course; while James Hill and Edward Mudgett who would have had one year's more work to complete it, were last Fall admitted to the Freshman classes of Fryeburg Academy and Brewster Academy respectively.

Edwin H. Lord, A. M., Principal of Brewster Free Academy, recently wrote to a member of the School Committee: "I have received a very favorable impression of your grammar school from the pupils from it who have applied for admission to our Academy. * * * They have been well prepared, and above the average of our applicants in the quality of their training."

In leaving this part of the subject, we extend to the fathers and mothers and every citizen who takes an interest in the continued improvement of our schools, the same, old, urgent invitation, *do visit the schools.*

Redstone grammar school has been presented with a pretty landscape in black and white (neatly framed) by Miss Bowers, the former teacher; Mrs Blouin gave a half dozen pictures, at Christmas time, to the Conway Center grammar and primary-intermediate schools; Dr. Buzzell has placed a suitably framed portrait of the late President McKinley in the grammar school at Conway, as a companion-piece to the historical pictures given last year by Mrs. Fifield.

At North Conway, a valuable gift has been made to Mrs. Mason for the village schools. Mrs. Huidekoper, a summer resident of Intervale, contributed about fifty books, for the beginning of a school library, and Mrs. Currie (another summer resident at Intervale) has given twenty dollars for the same purpose. The books will be placed in the book closet, ready for use next term. They are to be used during term-time only,

as the teachers are to have charge of them. (As the North Conway Library is now a free public library, the school children can have plenty to reading, during vacations, for asking.)

Through the efforts of teachers and pupils of the North Conway Village school, a concert was given at the close of the spring term last June, to raise money to buy dictionaries for the grammar and intermediate schools. Eighteen dollars were realized, and two latest unabridged dictionaries were bought, and it is still more gratifying to record that the pupils really use them.

Mr. N. W. Pease may be said to have rehabilitated a portrait of Christopher Columbus bought by the No. 8 school, and placed in the old school-house at an observance of "Columbus Day," under the regime of the late Rev. R. Henry Davis (at that time the North Conway member of the School Board). The picture was in shabby case, but is now a handsome ornament in the grammar school room. The first year that the present Clerk of the School Board was a member of that body, she used to ask public-spirited citizens to speak on Friday afternoons, to the scholars on some instructive subject, of the speaker's own choosing. Mr. Pease gave an interesting talk on the growth of the United States, with respect to the addition of States and Territories, and he brought with him to illustrate his talk, a fine map in a substantial case, leaving it as a gift to the school, where it—with the Columbus picture—is a tangible proof of genuine interest in the school's welfare (We believe it has never been acknowledged before).

The school is indebted to Mr. George Warren Marden for a delightful Decoration Day address last spring. He obligingly came to the school in his soldier's clothes and gave us reminiscences of his several meetings with Lincoln, and a graphic description of the battle of Gettysburg

When (through the public-spirited offices of the late F. B. Osgood, Esq.,) the old bell that once hung in the tower of the old-time North Conway Academy was brought back from Bartlett, where it had been for some years, and placed in the belfry of the village school-house, the pupils of that school voted to

expend what money was left - after five dollars of the sum they had given was paid to the Bartlett claimant of the bell—for maps for the three school-rooms. Mr. George, the former principal of the grammar school, made good terms for them, and three maps in strong cases, is another of the pupils' gifts.

Mrs. George H. Shedd has presented a useful framed map to the grammar school. Mr. T. E. M. White has given a half dozen Humane Calendars (published by the Rhode Island Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) for different schools of the town, and Mrs. Mason (of the School Committee) has paid twelve dollars and fifty cents for hiring an assistant in the North Conway grammar school. The last item seems so absurd that a word of explanation is really called for.

At the last Fall term there were more than fifty scholars in the grammar school at North Conway. The teacher was overworked, but the School Board wished to lengthen the school year of the district, if possible, and therefore preferred not to incur an unusual expense for the advantage of one school only. "The Woman's Educational League" of North Conway is a society that was formed after the abandonment of the new academy scheme (originated by the late Rev. R. Henry Davis) and the funds of the several organizations to further that enterprise were appropriated to the new organization. (It should be said that Mrs Mason was chairman of a committee that had contributed about $200 to those funds.)

This later society was formed (as its Constitution sets forth) "for the purpose of advancing the interests of education in the higher branches in the public schools of North Conway.' At the annual meeting a vote was passed that the League should appropriate a sum of money and hire an assistant teacher for the grammar school for the remainder of the school year, and Mrs. Mason was appointed to attend to the execution of the vote. This was on the 21st of October, and a young lady who could board at home, and was to teach forenoons only, was hired for $2.50 per week and began work the next week. She taught for five weeks, until the end of the term, when a notice was sent to Mrs. Mason, that read: "You are hereby

notified that the votes passed at a meeting of the Woman's Educational League, held Oct. 21st, 1902, * * * were recinded at an adjournment of said meeting held on Nov. 25th, 1902. Therefore the League does not hold itself responsible for the payment of said assistant."

We have practised the utmost economy of expenditure in all cases where it would not have been inconsistent with the wellbeing of the schools. In the Conway Center section of the School District Mrs. Blouin has managed to, thus far, dispense with the purchase of new School Readers, though at Conway and North Conway a change was made two years ago. An unusual bill for books is that of Physical Geographies for the North Conway grammar school. Mrs. Mason learned that our pupils should be taught Physical Geography, to gain entrance to advanced classes, if they wished to pursue a further course of study, so it was thought best to provide for that requirement Fine modern maps, costing $33, have been bought for the Conway village school-house. Our total expenses for school supplies for the year have been $300. As there are six hundred (lacking four) pupils enrolled, this does not seem exorbitant.

We try to keep the pupils supplied with the best textbooks, so far as we are able to do so. To this end we last year exchanged Raub's for Milne's Arithmetics. The latter work is designed to teach the processes used in practical business life, and is not cumbered with unpractical matter. Next year, the geographies in use should be exchanged for a kind with better maps, and more of the modern requirements in the text. We need, not only advanced intelligence in teachers, but improved methods of instruction along with it.

At North Conway, the transportation route has been shortened, so that instead of the school conveyance being driven from North Conway to Intervale and around by Kearsarge to the North Conway school-house, it is driven from North Conway to Intervale and back, only. The judgment of the School Committee has been that the expense of transportation should be incurred only for those neighborhoods where a school was once provided and is now dispensed with. Kearsarge has a

small school, so at the beginning of the Fall term the route there was discontinued and the price of transportation reduced from $8 to $5.50 per week.

The work that should have been done on the South Conway school-house last year, we were unable to get done for want of workmen. The outside of the Conway Village school-house has been re-painted, and the interior of the East Conway school-house freshened and given a lighter coloring, transforming it into a most pleasant and attractive school-room. Slate black-boards add to the pleasant aspect. They were also bought for the Conway school.

This year the finish on the building should be painted at the McMillan school-house; the interior of No. 8 school-house needs considerable furbishing, some changes and improvements are desirable at Echo Lake school, and there are always various unexpected wants But so large an appropriation for repairs as usual is not necessary, and we ask that the sum of $200 be raised for repairs on school-houses.

It is imperative that an assistant teacher be provided for the North Conway grammar school this year, unless we are to drop back from the present high standard of teaching maintained in the town. One teacher cannot properly teach the classes in this school of from forty to fifty pupils, and there is no sense or reason in demanding it. If we continue to demand it, soon no first-class teacher will accept the position of teacher there.

It is necessary that there be another school in the Conway Village school-house. The primary room is overcrowded, and so also is the intermediate school. It is thought best to remove one grade from the primary school to the intermediate, and two classes from the present intermediate to the new school. There would then be a first and second primary school, besides the intermediate and grammar schools, in the building.

And the School Committee would like to lengthen—somewhat at least—our school year. We earnestly urge the appropriation of $2500 for the support of schools this year.

We shall have to pay $40 for insurance on the Conway

Village school-house, this year; $20 on the Redstone school-house; $20 for water tax at the North Conway Village school-house; $10 for water tax at the Conway Village school-house. We have over-run our last year's appropriation for water tax and insurance on school buildings, by paying a bill of $110 to that account, and there is an unpaid bill of $10 coming under that head. We therefore ask that $110 be raised for water tax and insurance on school buildings.

We would recommend that the sum of $100 be appropriated to buy the furniture in the recitation room at No. 8 school-house. This is now the property of the Woman's Educational League, but as it will be necessary to use the room in connection with the work of the grammar school, it would seem best that the town should own the furniture.

During the coldest weather of the winter term, it was necessary to set up a stove to make the primary school-room at Conway Center warm enough for use At No. 8 school-house there could have been no school kept this winter if a large box stove had not been set up in the hallway of the building. In a year or two, at most, the "Ventilating and Heating Apparatus" that was provided will have to be given up for something that will really warm the school house in cold weather. However scientific may be the theory of heating rooms by means of hot air registers high up on the walls, and cold air registers to supply fresh air, set in the floor, in practice, at No. 8, it has proved a dismal failure. From he time of the first term that was kept in the new school-house, it has been a failure. With 125 children (more or less) in the building, the only provision for them to warm their feet and hands was at a small register in the floor of the hall-way, which was a hot air register and not a cold air one, like those in the school rooms. As the walls are fifteen feet high, the hot air registers, set high up, were not available for warming hands or feet!

The first two winters that this furnace was used, its smoking made staying in the grammar school-room well nigh an impossibility. Finally, Mr. John D. Ayer, the then principal,

planned and built a cold air box in the basement, which helped matters a good deal, but while the smoke subsided, the cold rose (literally). It is charged that the fault has been in mismanagement, and a want of understanding of the workings of the machinery of the Ventilating and Heating Apparatus. Perhaps this is so. We have tried several plans with the view of keeping the children comfortable, but nothing has availed, and we humbly submit that no less qualification than that of Doctor of Science could insure that a person was capable of making it do what it was put into the building to do.

During the winter term of a year ago, Mr. Fifield and Mrs. Blouin had the hot air registers in the grammar and the intermediate school-rooms taken down from the walls, and the piping so changed that hot air came up through the floor registers. The same change was made in the primary school-room this winter, and with the help of the box stove (which has more than paid for itself in the saving of wood for heating the building), the condition has been tolerable, except in the very worst weather.

Last summer a man was sent from the Smith & Anthony Co., (the firm that put in the furnace) Boston, to see if there was anything to offer in the premises. He visited the school-house, in company with the principal of the school, and afterwards a letter was sent to the School Board from Smith & Anthony Co. We were advised that the "cost of replacing the plant would be anywhere from $80 to $100, and the suggestion was made that the man who changed it put it back into its original condition "Then you can have one of our heating men come up after cold weather begins, and stay a couple of days and show its workings. We believe it would warm the rooms to 70 degrees in zero weather, and that you could get heat out of the floor register in the hallwao sufficient for the purpose," the letter said.

As it has never been possible to keep the heat at 60 degrees (though at the same time the temperature in the basement ranged from 110 to 125 derees, and wood enough was being

burned to supply a coal-kiln); some might have thought this sounded reassuring; but not long after, we were notified that on account of the amount of work they had on hand, Smith & Anthony Co. would have nothing whatever to do with it. We had been told that the Ventilating and Heating Apparatus of this firm, was in use in eleven towns in New Hampshire, so, thinking that we might perhaps find out how they had been able to warm up with it, weapplied to Smith & Anthony Co. for the names of some of those towns, and we were told in reply, that if we wished to inform ourselves of as to the satisfactoriness of their furnaces, we were referred to Chief Wade, Chief of the District Police, whose headquarters were at the State House, Boston.

In fairness, it should be stated that this apparatus was supposed to change the air of the school rooms every twenty minutes, and perhaps it did; but in the winter climate of Conway this hygienic provision has proven to be less indispensable than keeping the children warm.

There are to be two members elected to the School Board at the annual School Meeting. Mrs. Blouin's term of two years ends at that time, and Dr. Buzzell has served the past year by appointment. He was elected for a term of three years—in his absence from the meeting—but immediately sent a declination to the Board, who then appointed Mr. H. B Fifield to the office. He also declined, and C. W. Wilder, Esq., was appointed, and he declined to serve. In the meantime Dr. Buzzel had been urged to take the place for one year, and finally consented to take the oath of office (which of course expires at the March meeting) before Mr. Wilder.

In the judgment of the School Committee, it has become most desirable that this district should unite with some other town to form a supervisory district, and employ an expert Supervisor to take charge of our schools. At present, not one-fourth of the time that they require is or can be given to them. It is needed not only that a person of the most advanced intelligence, and a knowledge of the most approved methods in

instruction, should be employed, but that he should give his whole time to the work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. BUZZELL,
ABBIE M. D. BLOUIN,
ELLEN M. LASON,
School Board of Conway.

STATISICAL TABLE.

Name and Number of school.	Length of school in weeks of five days.	No. of pupils enrolled.	Average No. belonging to school.	Average daily attendance.	No. of pupils not absent or tardy.	No. visits by school board.	No. of visits by parents and others.	No pupils under 6 years of age.	No. pupils over 16 years of age.	No. of cases of tardiness.	Wages per week,	No. scholars between 5 and 16 years of age reported by enumerator.
East, No. 1,	30	31	26	21	5	7	24	6	2	48	$7 00	28
Potter, No. 3,	23	14	9	9	0	5	12			1	6 00	6
Center Primary, No. 4,	30	53	45	39	6	8	75	10		20	10 00	74
Center Grammar, No. 4,	30	32	27	26	5	8	59		5	22	11 00	
West, No. 6,	*26	38	28	27	0	5	27	4	3	28	7 00	34
Echo Lake, No. 7,	30	10	9	8	0	7	8	1		91	5 00	13
North Conway Primary, No. 8,	30	54	41	31	0	7	41	7		3	9 00	154
North Conway Intermediate, No. 8,	30	41	40	37	0	11	34			32	9 00	
North Conway Grammar, No. 8,	30	44	40	39	0	33	79		7	61	11 00	
Green Hill, No. 12,	30	14	13	11	4	6	16	1		4	6 00	13
Conway Primary, No. 13,	30	65	50	42	0	7	124	15		7	9 00	132
Conway Intermediate, No. 13,	30	41	40	38	1	6	86			37	9 00	
Conway Grammar, No. 13,	30	30	29	27	0	9	66		2	163	11 00	
McMillan, No. 14,	30	29	25	20	1	9	16	2		14	7 00	
Kearsarge, No. 15,	30	13	13	11	0	5	15			74	6 00	
South, No. 16,	30	14	13	11	2	6	9	2	1		6 00	13
Redstone Primary,	30	47	36	31	1	10	19	9		3	9 00	77
Redstone Grammar,	30	26	25	22	1	14	19			15	9 00	
Total,	526	596	509	451	26	163	729	57	20	623	$147 00	
Pupils attending school in Eaton												3
												547

In the Potter School there are 3 pupils from Eaton and several children of the summer cottagers attended part of the fall term.

From Echo Lake section several have attended school at North Conway.

*26 2-5 weeks.

Report of Library Trustees

To Henry B. Cotton and Hiram H. Dow, auditors of the Town of Conway, I herewith respectfully submit an account of all the money received and disbursed by me as Treasurer of Library Trustees, for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903.

S. M. HOBSON, Sec. and Treas. Trustees.

RECEIPTS.

C. W. Wilder, former treasurer,	$100 00
Jas. L. Gibson, town treasurer,	500 00
" "	110 00
Osgood Johnson for grass,	4 00
	$714 00

EXPENDITURES.

BOOKS, PERIODICALS, ETC.

John Andrews, Roosevelt books,	$ 5 00
Balch Bros., supplement, Stoddard,	5 20
Sampson News Agency, magazines for Conway Centre Branch,	22 85

LIBRARY SUPPLIES AND LIBRARIAN'S SALARY.

Notification cards,	2 00
F. W. Davis, bill for supplies,	9 31
W. H. Day, rubber stamps,	2 30
Louise H. Hamblen, salary to April,	32 50
" " July,	32 50
" " October,	65 00
" " January,	32 50
" " Feb. 15,	16 25
H. B. Fifield, supplies,	9 14

IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS ON BUILDING.

C. H. Smart screens and doors,	33 25
Edwards & Walker Co., hinges,	8 10
S. W. Johnson, mason work on bulkhead,	12 90
F. W. Davis, bricks,	11 10
John T. Whitaker work and material for bulkhead,	57 68
O. L. Moody, bolts,	50
J. L. Gibson, lumber,	2 47
Nelson Willey, tinning roof,	7 00

CARE OF BUILDING AND WORK ON LAWN.

M. B. Whitten,	6 38
Sarah Mayhew,	2 00
Peter Cole,	1 00
Chas. S. Fifield,	4 20
Mark Whitton,	1 80
John D. Bemis,	9 75
Chas. S. Fifield,	1 50
Horace W. Berry,	7 05
"	28 60
"	17 30
Geo. E. Flanders,	1 95

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

C. W. Wilder, balance due him 1902,	17 80
Freight and express,	1 91
Wood Bros., keys,	3 00
H. P. Wilder,	1 07
Recording deeds,	3 60
A. C. Kennett, 14 tons coal,	140 00
H. P. Wilder, care clock 90 weeks,	23 00
H. B. Cotton, wood Center Conway,	2 00
Cash on hand,	72 54
	$714 00

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. HOBSON, Treas.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.

Conway, N. H., Feb. 24, 1903.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of Library Trustees and Treasurer of the Trustees of Conway for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1903, and find them to be correct, with proper vouchers on file for all amounts paid out by them.

HENRY B. COTTON,
HIRAM H. DOW,
Auditors of Conway.

During the past year we have met some obstacles that will not comfront us hereafter. We felt obliged to make some repairs on the library building at Conway Village, in order to protect and preserve the basement and foundation of it. This we did at an expense of ninety-one dollars and sixty-five cents. We also fitted the windows with screens at an expense of forty-two dollars and eleven cents. Still another drain on our finances has been the unprecedented advance in the price of fuel. This subjected us to an extra expense this year of some $80. We have had to pay something over $50 arrearages the past year, so it will be seen that conditions have been rather unfavorable, but we feel sure the conditions will be more favorable. We would recommend the same appropriation as last year. This will give us something over $200 for new books, a sum which we regard as ample. Attention is called to the reports of the treasurer and librarian for information relating to their several departments.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT OF THE CONWAY BRANCH OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, FROM JAN. 1, 1902, TO JAN. 1, 1903.

The Library has been open for the exchange of books 105 days The aggregate circulation for the year has been 5981 volumes, of which 4390 were fiction, 1111 juvenile and the remainder divided between biography, history, travels, religious works and miscellaneous. The largest circulation on any one day was 110, April 5. Cards have been issued to 410 different persons from all parts of the town. Quite a number of the books have been in use a number of years, having been given to the Library by the Library Association, and have to be repaired frequently. Two or three are beyond repair; one has been lost.

From time to time friends of the Library have given books, papers and magazines. From July 1st to October 1st the reading room was open to visitors every afternoon and evening.

When the State Librarian, Mr. Arthur H. Chase, established the Clearing House for magazines, we were enabled through the generosity of friends not only to make quite complete files of several leading magazines for ourselves, but also to send 1096 magazines to Concord. We feel the interest in the Library and reading room is steadily increasing:—many of our young people frequent the reading room, and enjoy the use of the books and magazines.

The Woman's Club from time to time gives proof of their continued interest. January 1, 1902, they gave to the Library 35 volumes of the late books. Recently they have placed in the reading room a fine Webster's International Unabridged Dictionary. An exchange has recently been affected with the Center Conway branch, to enable each branch to have some new reading matter.

New books are needed for circulation, especially for the children and young people, also magazines for the reading room. We trust in some way the needs will be met.

L. H. HAMBLEN,
Librarian.

TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CONWAY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

I herewith submit a report of the circulation of books from the Free Public Library at Center Conway, for the year ending January 1, 1903, giving volumes of fiction, juvenile and miscellaneous, taken from the Library each month.

	Fiction	Juvenile	Miscellaneous	Total
Jan.	109	74	20	303
Feb.	109	127	31	267
March	152	129	29	310
April	103	70	22	195
May	92	68	27	187
June	52	66	15	133
July	55	74	15	144
Aug.	77	69	24	170
Sept.	54	26	19	99
Oct.	64	32	24	120
Nov.	95	59	30	184
Dec.	87	53	23	163
Total	1049	847	279	2175

The following periodicals are subscribed for by the Trustees: Century, Cosmopolitan, Country Life, Harper's, McClure's Munsey, Literary Digest, Outlook, Review of Reviews, Youths Companion, Mr. A. C. Kennett presenting us with the Review of Reviews. As we are provided with no convenient reading room, I loan the magazines to individuals, to be returned at the end of one week. The circulation of this kind of reading is large, the usual number loaned each week being 40.

We have received gifts of books from, Mrs. B J. Bachelder and Mrs. Blouin; magazines from Mrs. T. P. Ivy and Mr. C. H. Morton, of Newburyport.

It is gratifying to note the growth in interest, especially

among the young. A good foundation is being laid; the future alone may determine whether the Library does aid in making more intelligent citizens.

Very respectfully,

ABBIE M. D. BLOUIN,
Librarian.

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Jas. L. Gibson
H. S. Cotton
L. C. Hunt
W. M. Wyman
O. B. Merrill

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